

GERMANS RETREATING
ALONG ROAD TOWARD
METZ AND CONFLANS

Americans Pursue Enemy in Motor Trucks to Keep Up With Them in Fighting Near Sedan.

GERMANS ATTEMPT
STAND NEAR MEUSE

Haig Announces Capture of Two Villages and Prisoners—Advancing South of Mons-Conde Canal.

BY WEBB MILLER

(United Press Staff Correspondent)

ON THE AMERICAN FRONT, Nov. 8 (4:20 p. m.).—American flyers report that the roads toward Metz and Conflans are literally jammed with motor trucks filled with men and material. The Americans are rushing forward in trucks, which they have been forced to employ to keep up with the fleeing Germans.

Stenay, Mouzon and the southern part of Sedan are in flames.

BY WEBB MILLER

(United Press Staff Correspondent)

ON THE AMERICAN FRONT, Nov. 8 (1:40 p. m.).—The Germans are attempting to make a stand behind the Meuse.

Heavy artillery firing is going on on both sides of the river particularly in the region of Sedan. Further south there is constant machine gun fighting.

By United Press.

PARIS, Nov. 8.—"Our progress was renewed this morning on the whole front," the French War Office announced today.

"Our advance elements reached Liart, eighteen miles and a half north of Rethel.

"Further to the right we had taken Frenois, a mile southwest of Sedan, before daylight and had penetrated the outskirts of Sedan.

"Our prisoners yesterday morning numbered more than 1,500. The material captured was considerably increased."

By United Press.

LONDON, Nov. 8 (1:30 p. m.).—"There was sharp fighting yesterday evening in the neighborhood of Ecalle and Limon-Fontaine, south of Hauptmont," Field Marshal Haig announced in his official communique today.

"These villages were captured together with a number of prisoners. Our advance south of the Mons-Conde canal continues."

S. A. T. C. MEN COME

Soldiers for Vocational Instruction Began Arriving Here Today.

The first of the 650 men who will attend the vocational section of the S. A. T. C. began to arrive this morning on the 7 o'clock Wabash. All will be here by 10 o'clock tonight. Five hundred of these men are from Missouri, the other 150 being from neighboring states.

The men will live in tents until the quarantine is lifted, when they will move into the new barracks on Hudson and College.

Fifteen men from Boone County and two from Kansas City, who were transferred here by their draft boards for induction, were escorted by a sergeant from the sheriff's office out to the vocational school at 9:30 o'clock this morning. The men from Boone County are: Edward Meng, Ralph Wisdom; Logan Prather, Riley Alexander, Hubert Tuttle, Frank LeMert, Harold Tuttle, Granville Persinger, Eugene Hunt and Paul Naylor. Columbia; Jacob Brockman, Browns' Station; George Quinn, Kenneth Old, Ira Pace and Wallace Bullard, Ashland; John Casey and Perry Quinn were the men transferred.

The rest of the men from Missouri are apportioned among the other counties as follows: Adair, 9; Andrew, 6; Atchison, 16; Buchanan, 30; Callaway, 9; Camden, 7; Carroll, 9; Chariton, 9; Clark, 15; Clay, 5; Clinton, 3; Cole, 8; Cooper, 10; Dekalb, 5; Gasconade, 6; Grundy, 7; Harrison, 8; Holt, 16; Howard, 8; Jackson, 77; Jasper, 20; Johnson, 16; Knox, 8; Lafayette, 10; Linn, 8; Livingston, 14; Macon, 22; Mercer, 8; Miller, 7; Moniteau, 6; Monroe, 6; Morgan, 7; Pettis, 22; Pike, 10; Platte, 4; Randolph, 10; Ray, 12; Schuyler, 14; Sullivan, 12; and Worth, 6.

THE WEATHER

For Columbia and vicinity: Clearing up tonight and generally fair Saturday. Somewhat colder. Lowest tonight about 36.

For Missouri: Fair and colder northwest, probably rain and colder east and south portions tonight. Saturday generally fair and colder except probably rain extreme east portion.

Weather Conditions.

The precipitation area extends from Oklahoma northeast to the Lakes and up the Ohio to Pennsylvania. Rains have been heavy in Missouri, southeast Kansas, and Oklahoma; and from Nebraska northwestward the ground is covered with snow. In some places more than 10 inches. The precipitation area is traveling eastward at a slow rate. Clearing weather is following, and is this morning gradually overspreading the Plains.

In sections west of the Mississippi the weather is somewhat colder than it was yesterday, but there are no severe temperatures in sight.

In Columbia generally fair weather will prevail over Sunday and probably Sunday with about seasonal temperature.

Local Data.

The highest temperature in Columbia yesterday was 61; and the lowest last night was 48. Rainfall 0.61. Relative humidity at noon yesterday was 54 per cent. A year ago yesterday the highest temperature was 72 and the lowest was 41. Rainfall 0.00.

Temperatures Today.

7 a. m.	48	12 m.	52
8 a. m.	47	1 p. m.	54
9 a. m.	47	2 p. m.	56
10 a. m.	47	3 p. m.	58
11 a. m.	49	4 p. m.	58

NO ARMISTICE HAS BEEN SIGNED

By United Press.

BREST, France, Nov. 8.—Rear Admiral Henry B. Wilson, U.S.N., commander of the American forces in French waters today made the following statement for the information of United Press editors:

"The statement of the United Press relative to the signing of the armistice was made public from my office on the basis of what appeared to be official and authoritative information.

"I am in a position to know that the United Press and its representatives acted in perfect good faith and that the premature announcement was the result of an error for which the agency is in no wise responsible."

Yesterday afternoon the Evening Missourian, in company with hundreds of other newspapers in the United States, published a United Press cablegram stating that Germany had signed an armistice with the Allies and that hostilities on the Western front had ceased. The statement today proves to be untrue. The publication of this report led to a celebration in this city, as it did to similar huge celebrations in Washington, New York, Chicago, St. Louis, and practically all other cities and towns of this country.

Today the Missourian learns from the United Press that it obtained its information from Admiral Wilson at Brest, France; that Admiral Wilson made the announcement and that the cablegram telling of the signing of the armistice was approved by him and was allowed to be sent from that port by the cable censor's office. Apparently, a short time later when the United Press learned that the announcement was unconfirmed, it tried to convey that fact by cable but through a delay in the cable service the supplementary cablegram did not reach this country until this morning.

The original cablegram received by the New York office of the United Press follows:

"Unipress, New York; Paris-Brest: Armistice allies signed eleven morning. Hostilities ceased two afternoon. Sedan taken morning by Americans."

(Signed).

"HOWARD"
"SIMMS"

"Unipress" is the code address of the United Press. Howard is the signature of Roy W. Howard, president of the United Press. Simms is the signature of William Phillip Simms, head of the Paris office of the United Press.

"SIMMS"

This morning the Missourian received the following dispatch relative to the untrue statement that the armistice had been signed:

By United Press.

NEW YORK, Nov. 8.—Yesterday's announcement of the signing of an armistice between Germany and the Allies was made by Admiral Wilson at Brest and was filed by the United Press with the Admiral's approval.

This information was received by the United Press in a cablegram from Roy W. Howard, president of the United Press, shortly before noon today.

Practically at the same time this morning, another message from Howard was delivered to the United Press, stating that Admiral Wilson made the announcement in Brest at 4 p. m., French time, but that later he was notified that the news was unconfirmable. The time this latter message was filed by Howard is not shown.

The form in which it was delivered did not show clearly that it was sent yesterday, or how long it was delayed. Howard's cablegram showed clearly that Admiral Wilson acted in good faith, stating that he supposed the announcement was official and therefore gave his approval for filing the message to the United Press in New York.

The United Press today asked the Government to ascertain how long Howard's message stating that Admiral Wilson authorized the announcement, and also the later notification that it was unconfirmable, were held up by the censor.

There is reason to believe that the message stating the news was unconfirmable was greatly delayed in view of the fact that it was not received here until almost twenty-four hours after it was originally cabled.

The messages received today from Howard are as follows:

Unipress, New York

"Paris—Urgent—Brest: Admiral Wilson, who announced Brest newspapers 1600 (4 p. m.) armistice been signed, later notified unconfirmable. Meanwhile Brest riotously celebrating."

"HOWARD"
"SIMMS"

"Unipress, New York

"Brest—Urgent—Armistice bulletin based on local announcement by Admiral Wilson. Admiral supposed official. Was filed with Admiral's approval. Local newspapers bulletined. Brest celebrated night long."

"HOWARD"

It will be noted that the first message quoted was signed by both Howard and Simms and was filed through Paris in the same form as the message received yesterday.

In every way this first quoted message indicated that it was probably filed very quickly after the original bulletin.

The second quoted message shows clearly by reference to the fact that Brest celebrated "night long" that it was filed today. It also shows that it was filed directly from Brest and was signed only by Howard and does not bear Simms' name.

This clearly indicates that Howard is in Brest, although these two messages and the one received yesterday are the only two cablegrams the home office of the United Press has received from him for nearly a week.

REVOLUTION SPREADS

German Uprising at Kiel Reported Extending Into East Prussia.

By United Press.

COPENHAGEN, Nov. 8.—The German revolution was reported today to have spread into Mecklenburg-Schwerin and East Prussia, thus extending across practically the whole northern portion of the Empire.

CAPTAIN ROBERTS WOUNDED

Former Commander of Co. F Slightly Wounded in Battle of Argonne.

Captain Asbury Roberts was slightly wounded in action September 29, the fourth day of the battle of Argonne, according to a letter received here. John Calvert was wounded and Herbert Williams was killed in the same battle.

Captain Roberts was formerly in command of Company F 139th Infantry but now is captain of Company M of the same infantry.

S. A. T. C. GETS OFFICIAL ORDER

Men Chosen for Fremont May Be Transferred by Local Board.

The following telegram addressed to the Professor of Military Science was received at Missouri S. A. T. C. Headquarters today:

"Department commander directs that you inform all selected candidates for Infantry Officers' Training School Camp Fremont that should they be called by their local board for general military service before being sent to Camp Fremont to immediately report the name of the organization and station to which they are assigned to the Commanding General Central Department, Chicago, Ill., in order that they may be transferred to Camp Fremont school."

TO KEEP UP DRAFT CALLS

No Halt So Long as War Lasts, Officials Indicate.

By United Press.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 8.—There is no intention whatever of withdrawing any draft calls as long as this country is at war was strongly indicated by officials here.

GERMANS HAVE UNTIL
MONDAY TO SURRENDER

Time Limit of 72 Hours Will Expire at 11 A. M. November 11—Teuton Delegates Ask Permission to Refer Terms to Their Government and to Send Courier to Headquarters.

IMMEDIATE TRUCE REFUSED

Enemy Representatives Ask in Vain to Have Fighting Cease While They Decide on Answer—Secretary Lansing Officially Describes Proceedings at Conference With Marshal Foch.

By United Press.

PARIS, Nov. 8 (1:30 p. m.).—The German delegation arrived this morning at Marshal Foch's headquarters and are reported positively to have asked for an armistice.

The text of the Allied conditions was read aloud then handed to the enemy delegates.

The letter asked immediate suspension of arms, which was refused. The Germans, it is stated, have 72 hours in which to reply.

By United Press.

PARIS, Nov. 8 (5:55 p. m.).—The German armistice delegation, it was reported today, asked permission to refer the conditions to their government and to send a courier to Spa to notify the German headquarters there. The Eiffel Tower wireless informed Spa of this request. The delegates remarked on the difficulty of the route saying the journey might take some time.

Eleven o'clock Monday morning has been fixed as the time limit for Germany to accept or refuse the Allied armistice terms, according to a wireless dispatch received in London from Paris this afternoon.

By United Press.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 8.—The German delegation entered into conference at General Foch's headquarters at 9 o'clock Paris time today, the State Department announced shortly before noon today.

The enemy representatives arrived at the meeting place designated by Foch last night and spent the night in a house which had been prepared for them.

Lansing's Official Statement.

By United Press.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 8.—Secretary of State Lansing was informed this afternoon that the German plenipotentiaries had formally asked for and received the Allied armistice terms.

A request for immediate cessation of hostilities was refused, the department stated.

The official announcement of the news here said:

"The Secretary of State is informed that Marshal Foch reported to Paris at 10:25 o'clock this morning that the German plenipotentiaries had arrived at his headquarters with full power from the chancellor. They formally asked for an armistice.

"The text of the armistice was read to them and then delivered to them.

"The German plenipotentiaries requested that hostilities might be stopped at once. This request was refused.

"The Germans have 72 hours from 11 o'clock today in which to accept or refuse the terms. It is assumed by the State Department that the terms are to be sent to Berlin."

ASA HARRISON JACOBS DIES

Was One of the Early Settlers of Boone County.

Asa Harrison Jacobs, one of the early pioneers of Boone County, died last night at his home seven miles west of Columbia. Mr. Jacobs was 75 years old and has been in ill health for some time. He homesteaded his farm more than forty years ago and built then the house in which he was living at the time of his death.

Mr. Jacobs is survived by his wife; four sons: W. T. Jacobs and Elmer Jacobs, Columbia; Asa Jacobs, McBaine; Jess Jacobs, Huntsdale; two daughters: Mrs. Estes Hawkins, Midway and Mrs. Elsie Hunt, Huntsdale; three brothers, R. H. Jacobs and A. G. Jacobs, Columbia and W. T. Jacobs, Midway.

The funeral services will be at 11 o'clock tomorrow morning at Locust Grove cemetery.

BROTHER KILLED IN FRANCE

Student of Stephens College Received Death Message Yesterday.

Miss Mary D. Smithpeter of Bogard, a student in Stephens College, received a message yesterday that her brother Charles Smithpeter was killed in France September 30. This is the fourth student in the college to lose a brother in the war since the beginning of school. Two faculty members have also lost brothers in the war recently.

Boone County Soldier Dies.

Private Richard T. Kelley of Easley, this county, died of disease with the American forces in France, according to today's casualty list. He was the son of John H. Kelly.

County Voted Dry by 494.

Boone County voted dry in the recent election by 494 votes. The final count showed 2,884 votes for prohibition and 2,390 against it.

HEALTH BAN MAY END

City Board Meeting Called—Few Influenza Cases Reported.

The influenza situation throughout the state has improved to such an extent that the state board of health no longer requires daily reports to be made by the health boards of the towns and cities. Dr. W. A. Norris, secretary of the Columbia board of health, received a notice to that effect today. The epidemic is on the decline in the city, although a few cases are reported each day.

There are now only eight cases of influenza at the City Emergency Hospital Annex and none of these are serious. One case came in yesterday.

A meeting of the board of health was to be held at 5 o'clock this afternoon. The question of lifting the quarantine and the possible opening of the city schools was to be discussed.

MRS. L. M. DODSON DIES

Mother of Journalism Student Stricken Unexpectedly.

Mrs. Lola Montez Dodson, mother of Miss Isabel Dodson, a student in the School of Journalism of the University, died suddenly late yesterday afternoon at 605 Sanford place. Mrs. Dodson had been ill for several weeks, but recently her condition seemed to improve. Yesterday afternoon she viewed the peace celebration on Broadway. On her arrival home as she stepped from a taxicab she fell unconscious to the ground. She died twenty minutes later. Accompanied by her daughter, Isabel, and George Morrison, a nephew, a student in the School of Medicine, the body was taken to Nevada, Mo., her former home, last night.

Mrs. Dodson is survived by her two daughters, Mrs. Will Morgan of Rolla, Mo., and Miss Isabel Dodson of Columbia.

Dean G. D. Edwards of the Bible College, formerly pastor of the church of which Mrs. Dodson was a member, will conduct the funeral services in Nevada.

ADVISES ALLIED AID IN RUSSIA

Professor Says German Defeat Will Not Prevent Economic Hold.

By United Press.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 8.—The defeat of Germany will not prevent her gaining an economic stranglehold on Russia unless the Allies take immediate steps to flood southern and northern Russia and Siberia with commodities much needed by the Russian people.

This warning was issued today by Dr. Joseph M. Goldstein, professor of political economy in the University of Moscow and one of Russia's leading commercial authorities.